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## PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith for filing under  
 35 USC 111(a) and 37 CFR 1.53(b) (NEW UTILITY OR DESIGN PATENT APPLICATION)  
 as a new: ☒ utility or ☐ design patent application

for application entitled: CONTINUOUS MODE BALLAST WITH PULSED OPERATION

and invented by: Louis R. Nerone

## Enclosed are:

1. ☒ Specification with 22 total pages having:
  - a. ☒ Claims numbered from 1 to 16 (4 pgs.)
  - b. ☒ Abstract
  - c. ☒ Drawing (s) (35 USC 113) as follows:
    - (1) ☒ Formal ☐ Informal
  - d. ☒ Total sheet - 7 with Figures No. 1-3, 4A, 4B, and 5-7
- ☒ Oath or Declaration with 2 total pages as follows:
  - (1) ☒ Newly executed and signed ☐ Unsigned
  - (2) ☐ Copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63d) Serial No. filed on
  - (3) ☒ With Power of Attorney ☐ Without Power of Attorney
2. ☒ Assignment (with Coversheet and document)
3. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
4. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503) (should be specifically itemized)
5. ☐ Application Data Sheet
6. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement
  - ☒ PTO-1449 - Copies of Cited Documents - 1 enclosed; the other are not required.
7. ☐ Applicant hereby claims the 35 U.S.C. §119 benefit of the filing date of prior foreign application
  - ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document
    - ☐ Is enclosed ☐ Will be filed subsequently
8. ☐ Nonpublication Request under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i) Applicant must attach form PTO/5B/35 or its equivalent
9. ☐ Additional Enclosures as follows:
  - a. ☐
  - b. ☐
10. If a continuation or divisional application:
  - ☐ continuation ☐ division ☐ continuation-in-part of application Serial No. filed on:
  - ☐ Cancel in this application original claims of the prior application before calculating the filing fee (at least one independent claim must be retained for filing purposes)
  - ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line: This application is a application Serial No. filed on which is hereby incorporated by reference in its entirety.

☐ Prior application information: Examiner Group Art Unit

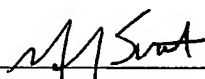
For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 1 d (2), is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

11. ☒ Filing fee calculated and transmitted:  
a. ☒ utility patent application filing fee as described below for the claims as filed less any canceled above

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FOR	NO. FILED	NO. EXTRA	RATE	FEE
TOTAL CLAIMS	16 - 20 =	0	x \$ 18	= \$0.00
INDEPENDENT CLAIMS	2 - 3 =	0	x \$ 86	= \$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS (IF APPLICABLE)		ANY - - 0	\$ 290	= \$0.00
BASIC FEE (37 CFR 1.16(a))				\$770.00
TOTAL FILING FEE				= \$ 770.00

- b. ☐ design patent application filing fee of \$340.00  
c. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. 06-0308 as described below. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.  
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(4) ☐ Charge the Issue Fee set in 37 CFR 1.18 at the mailing of the Notice of Allowance, pursuant to 37 CFR 1.311(b).  
d. ☒ A check in the amount of \$770.00 for the filing fee is enclosed.

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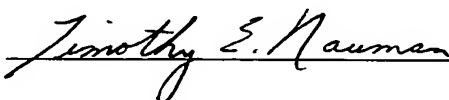
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